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1. RE REFTEL A: WE EXPECT GOR TO RAISE QUESTION OF CCC CREDITS IN NEGOTIATIONS AND WOULD RESPOND FAVORABLY TO ROMANIAN REQUEST FOR LANGUAGE SIMILAR TO US-POLISH JOINT STATEMENT. CCC CREDIT REFERENCE ALSO INCLUDED AT POLISH INSISTENCE AND WAS CONSIDERABLY WEAKER THAN POLES HAD HOPED. QUOTE SUBJECT INTER ALIA TO AVAILABILITY OF FINANCING UNQUOTE WAS ALSO POLISH INITIATIVE AND REFLECTED US UNWILLINGNESS MAKE STRONGER CCC COMMITMENT.

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2. WE ALSO ANTICIPATE GOR WILL REQUEST LANGUAGE ON JOINT COOPERATION IN AGRICULTURE. POLES PRESSED FOR STRONGER LANGUAGE ON AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND CITED VALUE OF VETERINARY SCIENCE COOPERATION AS PRECEDENT. USDA WOULD BE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN COOPERATION ACTIVITIES ON LIMITED BASIS, HOWEVER, USDA UNWILLING TO ENTER INTO SUBSTANTIVE AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION DUE TO

SEVERE STRAIN ON MANPOWER AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES CAUSED BY US-USSR AGRICULTURAL AGREEMENT AND OTHER OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS, PARTICULARLY IN MIDDLE EAST. IF PRESSED BY ROMANIANS WE WILL SUGGEST RELATIVELY NON-COMMITTAL LANGUAGE AS IN US-POLISH STATEMENT.

3. WE AGREE THAT SPRING VISIT OF MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE MOST SUITABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR CONCLUDING JOINT STATEMENT.

4. IN VIEW OF IMMINENT CONCLUSION OF TRADE AGREEMENT NEGOTIATIONS, REFTTEL C AND D, WE PREFER TEXT BE WORKED OUT WITH ROMANIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON AS WAS DONE WITH POLES BECAUSE OF AVAILABILITY OF LEGAL AND OTHER EXPERTISE IN WASHINGTON AND SHORTAGE OF TRAVEL FUNDS.

5. FINAL TEXT NEGOTIATED WITH ROMANIANS WILL NOT RPT NOT GO BEYOND US-POLISH JOINT STATEMENT BECAUSE THIS IS MAXIMUM WE CAN OFFER WHILE AVOIDING POLISH SENSITIVITIES. KISSINGER

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